

**CITY OF BRIDGEPORT
MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 28, 2016**

ATTENDANCE: Richard Salter, Co-Chair; AmyMarie Vizzo-Paniccia, Co-chair;
Rev. John Olson, Nessah Smith

OTHERS: Atty. Russell Liskov, Atty. Mark Anastasi, Angel dePara, CAO Dept.

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Salter called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 22, 2016.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 22, 2016.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 22, 2016 AS SUBMITTED PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Council Member Vizzo-Paniccia said that there had been a request from the administration to withdraw two appointments. She added that the paperwork for the remaining appointments was still incomplete.

30-15 Appointment of Cruz Manuel Cotto (D) to the Parks Commission.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 30-15 APPOINTMENT OF CRUZ MANUEL COTTO (D) TO THE PARKS COMMISSION.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER OLSON SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 30-15 PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

39-15 Appointment of Pearl Brooks (U) to the Commission of Persons with Disabilities.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 39-15 APPOINTMENT OF PEARL BROOKS (U) TO THE COMMISSION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 39-15 PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

40-15 Appointment of Joseph Almeida (D) to the Board of Assessment Appeals.

Council Member Vizzo-Paniccia said that the administration had received a request from Mr. Almeida to withdraw his nomination.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO WITHDRAW AGENDA ITEM 40-15 APPOINTMENT OF JOSEPH ALMEIDA (D) TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER OLSON SECONDED.**

Mr. dePara came forward and submitted a copy of the letter from Mr. Almeida requesting that his nomination be withdrawn.

**** THE MOTION TO WITHDRAW AGENDA ITEM 40-15 PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

41-15 Appointment of Obiora Nkwo (D) to the Board of Assessment Appeals.

Council Member Vizzo-Paniccia said that the administration had received a request from Ms. Nkwo to withdraw her nomination.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO WITHDRAW AGENDA ITEM 41-15 APPOINTMENT OF OBIORA NKWO (D) TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER OLSON SECONDED.**

Mr. dePara came forward and submitted a copy of the letter from Ms. Nkwo requesting that her nomination be withdrawn.

**** THE MOTION TO WITHDRAW AGENDA ITEM 41-15 PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

70-15 Appointment of Clement Young (D) to the Water Pollution Control Authority Commission.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 70-15 APPOINTMENT OF CLEMENT YOUNG (D) TO THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY COMMISSION.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 70-15 PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

72-15 Appointment of Joe McLaine (R) to the Water Pollution Control Authority Commission.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 72-15 APPOINTMENT OF JOE MCLAINE (R) TO THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY COMMISSION.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER OLSON SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 72-15 PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

83-15 Appointment of Michael Piccirillo (D) to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 83-15 APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL PICCIRILLO (D) TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 83-15 PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

84-15 Appointment of Kristen Alvanson (D) to the Stratfield Historic District Commission.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 84-15 APPOINTMENT OF KRISTEN ALVANSON (D) TO THE STRATFIELD HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 84-15 PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

07-15 Proposed Approval of a new Job Classification with NAGE Local RI-200 for Senior Housing Code Inspector/Enforcement Officer.

Council Member Vizzo-Paniccia said that there had been a request from the administration to table the item.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 07-15 PROPOSED APPROVAL OF A NEW JOB CLASSIFICATION WITH NAGE LOCAL RI-200 FOR SENIOR HOUSING CODE INSPECTOR/ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH SECONDED.**

Council Member Olson asked why all the nominations were being tabled. Council Member Vizzo-Paniccia said that the background checks had not been completed on the appointments. Atty. Anastasi said that it was his understanding that there was also an ongoing review of the organizational structure at the Health Department and the new CAO was still reviewing the changes.

**** THE MOTION TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 70-15 PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

76-15 Proposed Settlement of Pending Litigation with Claire Ervin.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS AGENDA ITEM 76-15 PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF PENDING LITIGATION WITH CLAIRE ERVIN.**

**** COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The Committee members, Attorney Anastasi and Attorney Liskov entered into Executive Session at 6:22 p.m. to discuss pending litigation. They returned to public session at 6:25 p.m.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 76-15 PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF PENDING LITIGATION WITH CLAIRE ERVIN.**
**** COUNCIL MEMBER OLSON SECONDED.**
**** THE MOTION TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 76-15 PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ADJOURNMENT

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO ADJOURN.**
**** COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH SECONDED.**

Council Member Olson said that he would like to state for the record that the administration needed to provide the Committee members with the appropriate background information for the various Commission and Board appointees.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA WITHDREW HER MOTION TO ADJOURN.**

Council Member Olson said that this was the third time that some of the items had been tabled. Atty. Anastasi said that he would inform the administration about Council Member Olson's concerns and look into the reasons for this.

**** COUNCIL MEMBER VIZZO-PANICCIA MOVED TO ADJOURN.**
**** COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH SECONDED.**
**** THE MOTION TO ADJOURN PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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